

## COVID-19 Update (April 3, 2020, 4 p.m.)

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#### **Resources:**

Website: SantaClaraCA.gov/CoronavirusUpdates

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This is a summary of the City of Santa Clara's latest response efforts along with impacts to local events and City programs/services due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency.

## **Current Developments**

- The California Department of Public Health is now recommending the general public should use reusable, non-medical cloth face coverings when outside the home while conducting essential activities.
  - County of Santa Clara public health officials stated that medical grade masks are in short supply and our healthcare professionals need them to protect themselves while caring for patients.
  - CDPF has more guidance about face coverings online, <a href="https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Face-Coverings-Guidance.aspx">https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Face-Coverings-Guidance.aspx</a>.
- The public has an opportunity to help support the Healthy Meals Santa Clara program by donating to the <u>Mission City Community Fund</u>.
  - The Mission City Community Fund is a local nonprofit partner supporting the program that prevents kids in our community from going hungry. Donations are 100% tax deductible.
  - Healthy Meals Santa Clara distributes weekend meal programs to children in Santa Clara at four locations in Santa Clara on Thursdays from 2-3:30 p.m.
  - The supplemental meals program is also possible, thanks to our partnerships with assistance from the School District, Spectra Venue



Management, Levy Premium Food Services and California's Great America.

- For more information about Healthy Meals Santa Clara, visit SantaClaraCA.gov/HealthyMealsSantaClara.
- The COVID-19 Telethon is taking place tomorrow to help those most in need in the Bay Area during this public health emergency.
  - In partnership with Bay Area community leaders, NBC Bay Area is hosting the <u>COVID-19 Telethon</u> this Saturday, April 4 at 7 p.m. to raise additional funds for our community's most vulnerable
  - On March 23, more than a dozen public and private partners came together to announce the launch of an \$11M Silicon Valley Strong COVID-19 Fund.
  - Currently, there are more than 4,800 families on the waiting list for assistance through Silicon Valley Strong Fund, which provides direct financial assistance to low-income individuals who have lost work due to the COVID-19 crisis.
  - Tune in to the telethon on NBC Bay Area (Channel 11, Cable 3) and the live stream on <a href="https://siliconvalleystrong.org/telethon/">nbcbayarea.com</a>. Step up to give at https://siliconvalleystrong.org/telethon/.

## **Meetings**

The City Council will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, April 7, starting at 2 p.m.

- With the heightened "Stay at Home" order by the State and the continued order by the County, the Mayor will be present for the meeting with Councilmembers and department heads participating online. A limited number of staff will also be present. The meeting set-up is in line with the recommendations of the COVID-19 White House Task Force, which notes no more than 10 people gatherings.
- The City Cafeteria has been set up to accommodate up to 10 people at a time and public comment will be given from that location.
- However, we encourage residents to stay at home and provide public comment:
  - Via the City's eComment section (now available during meeting)
  - Via email to PublicComment@santaclaraca.gov
- As usual, the public can view the meetings on <u>SantaClaraCA.gov</u>, Santa Clara City Television (Comcast cable channel 15 or AT&T U-verse channel 99), or the livestream on the City's <u>YouTube channel</u> or <u>Facebook page</u>.



# **City Programs and Services**

### **Residential Eviction Moratorium**

- If you're a Santa Clara resident who's concerned about being evicted from your rental unit, the City now has an eviction freeze in place for those suffering income loss due to COVID-19.
- The moratorium only applies to residential evictions for nonpayment of rent and no-fault evictions due to impacts of the COVID-19 outbreak.
- The moratorium does not waive the payment of rent.
- For more information, including whether you're eligible for this eviction protection by the City, visit the <a href="COVID-19 Eviction Moratorium webpage">COVID-19 Eviction Moratorium webpage</a>.

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